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SUBJECT: ILO'

1. IN DISCUSSION MAY 8 WITH LABOR ATTACHE ON ILO AFFAIRS, ISRAELI WORKER DEL TO ILO, GIDDEON BEN ISRAEL, MENTIONED THAT AFL-CIO PRESIDENT GEORGE MEANY PLANS TO SEE PRESIDENT FORD TO URGE THAT U.S. ACTIVELY CAMPAIGN AGAINST GRANTING OBSERVER STATUS TO PLO. HE BELIEVED THAT IN VIEW REMARKS OF PRESIDENT FORD CONCERNING AFL-CIO SUPPORT FOR RESETTLING VIETNAMESE REFUGEES, THERE MAY BE GOOD CHANCE THAT PRESIDENT FORD MAY CONCEDE TO MEANY'S REQUEST. BEN ISRAEL ADDED THAT HE HEARD THAT SECRETARY OF LABOR DUNLOP MAY HEAD US DEL TO ILO ON CONDITION THAT US ACTIVELY OPPOSE OBSERVER STATUS FOR PLO, AND PRESIDENT MEANY MAY ALSO ATTEND ILO CONF.

2. BASED ON REPORTS FROM ISRAEL REP IN GENEVA, BEN ISRAEL BELIEVES THAT THREAT OF ARAB EFFORT TO SEEK EXPULSION OR SUSPENSION OF
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ISRAELI MEMBERSHIP IN ILO NOT AS SERIOUS NOW AS

IT WAS TWO-THREE WEEKS AGO. PRIMARY REASON FOR
THIS ASSESSMENT, AS INDICATED BY BEN ISRAEL, IS
THAT DUE TO QURUM RULE IN ILO PLENARY SESSION,
VOTING, EFFORT TO EXPEL OR SUSPEND ISRAEL
MOST LIKELY TO FAIL. ARABS UNLIKELY TO INITIATE
MOTION UNLESS THEY ARE ASSURED OF SUCCESS. AT
MOST, HE BELIEVES ARABS WILL PERSUE EFFORTS TO
SECURE ADDITIONAL FOLLOW-UP ACTION AGAINST ISRAEL
IN CONNECTION WITH ANTI-ISRAELI RESOLUTION PASSED IN 1974
ILO CONF. HOWEVER, HE NOTED, ITS HARD TO ANTICIPATE
WHAT ARABS MIGHT DO.
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